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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of: **Whitman, et al.**

Application No.: 09/836,781

Attorney Docket No.: 3556-P03147US0

Filed: April 17, 2001

For: "ELECTRO-MECHANICAL SURGICAL DEVICE"

Examiner: Tran, Louis B.

Group Art Unit: 3721

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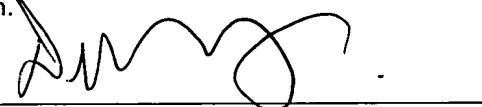
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Christine Edinger

**Petition for Extension Under 37 CFR §1.136(a)**

Applicant's undersigned Attorney hereby petitions for an extension of time of **THREE** months beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee is enclosed as identified in the enclosed Fee Transmittal form.

June 18, 2003  
Date of Certificate

  
Donald R. Piper, Jr.  
PTO Registration No. 29,337

**AMENDMENT**

In response to the Official Action dated December 18, 2002 (paper #12), please amend the above-identified application as indicated on the following pages.

The amendments to the **claims** begin on **page 2**.  
The amendments to the **specification** begin on **page 10**.

The **remarks** concerning the office action and Applicant's amendments begin on **page 11**.

Adjust date: 08/19/2003  
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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

**Complete if known**

Application Number: 09/836,781

Filing Date: April 17, 2001

First Named Inventor: Whitman

Group Art Unit: 3721

Examiner Name: Tran, Louis B.

Total Amt. of Payment: (1)+(2)+(3)= **\$465**

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**METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)**

1. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to:  
 Charge indicated fees  
 Charge additional fees  
 Credit overpayments  
 to the account of DANN, DORFMAN, HERRELL & SKILLMAN  
 Deposit Account Number 04-1406

2. Payment enclosed:  
 Check in the amount of \$465

**FEE CALCULATION**

1. FILING FEE	Fee
<b>Fee Description</b>	
Utility filing fee	_____
Design filing fee	_____
Plant filing fee	_____
Reissue filing fee	_____
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)**

ADDITIONAL FEES	Fee Paid
<b>Fee Description</b>	
Surcharge-late filing fee or oath	_____
Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	_____
Extension for response within third month	<u>465</u>
Notice of Appeal	_____
Filing a brief in support of an appeal	_____
Request for oral hearing	_____
Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned appl.	_____
Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned appl.	_____
Issue fee	_____
Petitions to the Commissioner	_____
Petitions related to provisional applications	_____
Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt.	_____
Recording each patent assignment per property	_____
Other fee (specify) _____	_____
<b>SUBTOTAL (3)</b>	<b>\$465</b>

2. Claims

	Paid	Extr	Fee
Total Claims	- = 0	x 9 = 0	
Independent Claims	- = 0	x 42 = 0	
Multiple Dependent (First presentation)			
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>	<b>\$0</b>		

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